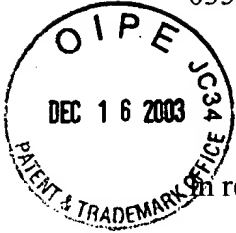


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of:

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Application No.: 09/210,721

Filed: December 14, 1998

For: IMAGE TAKING METHOD
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Sir:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner of Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, for an additional two months from October 18, 2003 to December 18, 2003.

Submitted herewith is a check for \$840.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this petition is enclosed.

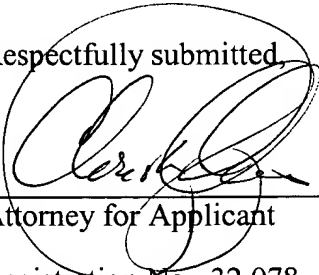
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